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LIGHT INDUSTRY PRODUCTION INCREASES

GLASS FACTORY EXPANDS -- Borba, No 115, 15 May 50

Paracin -- The cooling equipment which was to have been installed in the glass factory at Paracin by Czech experts has been installed by the factory workers themselves. At present, experiments are in progress toward the production of porcelain glass.

The production plan for the first 3 months of 1949 was surpassed by 12.41 percent, while the plan for the first 3 months of 1950 was surpassed by 24.14 percent.

Next to the old factory, the machinery of which is obsolete, a new factory is being constructed. It is scheduled to be completed before the end of 1951. Beside the gas generator, a melting house has been erected. There will be finishing departments on the second floor of this building. The ground floor will have storage departments for raw materials and finished goods.

The melting house will be equipped with four furnaces for fine glass and four furnaces for glass containers.

This year, machinery is being installed which will produce 36,000 oneliter bottles daily.

After the new factory is completed, production will be three times as great as before, and the number of workers will be relatively smaller.

TO PRODUCE CAMERAS -- Ljudska Pravica, No 118/II, 18 May 50

The "Fotokemika" Factory in Zagreb recently began the production of cameras. Engineer Streder succeeded in producing the first domestic box camera. After the first five cameras were tested, a series of 1,000 was produced by the factory. Later, a series of 10,000 of these cameras was produced.

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After the "Mela-Bakelit" Factory has produced certain special parts, the manufacture of cameras will proceed in large series. This domestic 6×9 centimeter camera consists of 71 mechanical and eight optical parts. The optical parts are being made by the "Optika" Factory, which is also in Zagreb.

At present, the "Fotokemika" Factory is developing a new type of camera.

MAKE TOP-QUALITY PHOTO LENSES -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 112, 12 May 50

In 1949, the "Optika" factory in Zagreb acquired its first domestic machines for grinding and polishing glass, and its first semiautomatic machines. At first, the factory produced magnifying glass and other ordinary optical glass, but soon it will begin production of its first photographic lenses for the "Fotokemika" factory in Zagreb.

In 1949, the factory produced optical equipment for domestic movie projectors, and in March 1950, it produced the first series of lenses for eyeglasses. At present, the factory is producing lenses for box cameras consisting of five optical parts with an f 8.8 lens, as well as the first f 3.5 lenses. Soon, it will produce optical equipment for various instruments and microscopes.

The new building of the Optika Factory, which is now under construction, will be furnished with the installations designed to maintain an even temperature and with equipment necessary for protection against dust.

CELLULOSE FACTORY BEGINS TEST OPERATION -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 105, 4 May 50

On 1 May, the cellulose factory in Prijedor began its test operation. This year, the machinery was installed in the factory's thermal power plant. The factory is completely mechanized.

Cellulose is boiled in five huge boilers, which are ll meters long, 5 meters wide, and weigh 54 tons each. These five boilers can boil a total of 350 cubic meters of wood. The factory has its own facilities for producing acid in a tower which is 45 meters high. The shief engineer is named Trost. The factory is expected to be in full operation very soon.

NEW FACTORY TO PRODUCE FISH, VEGETABLE OILS -- Ljudska Pravica, No 115, 15 May 50

A new fish and vegetable cil factory was constructed recently in the outskirts of Zadar. The factory will produce oil from olive pits and later from grape seeds. The production of the factory will fill the need for raw material for the production of sulfur oil.

The factory also plans to produce soap from vegetable oils.

TO BUILD KNITTING NEEDLE MACHINES -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 111, 11 May 50

The new textile machinery factory in Cakovec will soon begin the serial production of machines for forging knitting needles. These machines were invented by Franje Tota, who also invented improved knitting machines for knitting fine stockings.

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